

***Porzana carolina* (Sora)****Priority 3 Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN)****Class:** Aves (Birds)**Order:** Gruiformes (Cranes And Rails)**Family:** Rallidae (Coots, Crakes, Gallinules, Moorhens, And Rails)**General comments:**

Few sites but occupied by multiple pairs, need more data on trend

**Species Conservation Range Maps for Sora:**Town Map: [Porzana carolina\\_Towns.pdf](#)Subwatershed Map: [Porzana carolina\\_HUC12.pdf](#)**SGCN Priority Ranking - Designation Criteria:****Risk of Extirpation:** NA**State Special Concern or NMFS Species of Concern:** NA**Recent Significant Declines:** NA**Regional Endemic:** NA**High Regional Conservation Priority:**

North American Waterbird Conservation Plan:

High Concern

**High Climate Change Vulnerability:** NA**Understudied rare taxa:** NA**Historical:** NA**Culturally Significant:** NA**Habitats Assigned to Sora:**

Formation Name	Freshwater Marsh
Macrogroup Name	Coastal Plain Pond
Macrogroup Name	Emergent Marsh
Macrogroup Name	Modified-Managed Marsh

**Stressors Assigned to Sora:**

No Stressors Currently Assigned to Sora or other Priority 3 SGCN.

**Species Level Conservation Actions Assigned to Sora:**

No Species Specific Conservation Actions Currently Assigned to Sora or other Priority 3 SGCN.

**Conservation Actions Associated with the Marsh birds Guild:**

Conservation Action	Category:	Biological Priority:	Type:
Implement targeted surveys to better understand the distribution and status of this species and to help direct conservation actions to newly documented populations	Survey and Monitoring	high	new

**Stressor(s) Addressed By This Conservation Action**

Lack of knowledge

Conservation Action	Category:	Biological Priority:	Type:
Work with landowners to maximize hemi-marsh conditions and maintain stable water levels.	Habitat Management	high	new

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Dams and Water Management-Use

**Conservation Action****Category:** Species Management**Biological Priority:** moderate**Type:** new

Work with landowners to develop and post signs or other strategies for discouraging recreational users from disturbing nesting birds.

**Stressor(s) Addressed By This Conservation Action**

Recreational Activities

**Broad Taxonomic Group Conservation Actions:**

Additional relevant conservation actions for this species are assigned within broader taxonomic groups in Maine's 2015 Wildlife Action Plan: Element 4, Table 4-1.

**Habitat Based Conservation Actions:**

Additional conservation actions that may benefit habitat(s) associated with this species can be found in Maine's 2015 Wildlife Action Plan: Element 4, Table 4-15. Click on the Habitat Grouping of interest to launch a habitat based report summarizing relevant conservation actions and associated SGCN.

*The Wildlife Action Plan was developed through a lengthy participatory process with state agencies, targeted conservation partners, and the general public. The Plan is non-regulatory. The species, stressors, and voluntary conservation actions identified in the Plan complement, but do not replace, existing work programs and priorities by state agencies and partners.*